

Congressional Page Nomination Information

Occasionally my office is able to sponsor a page for the Congressional Page Program. Congressional pages are high school students who live, work, and attend school in Washington for several months. They play an important role in the life and work of Congress, calling members to votes, acting as couriers, and performing other duties. Selection is highly competitive, and only high school sophomores and juniors may apply. Currently there are 72 Page positions available in the House of Representatives. For more information please contact our office at (202) 225-6676.

Eligibility:

- To be eligible for the Page Program, every applicant must satisfy certain requirements. The Page program is limited to juniors and seniors in high school during the summer session and juniors only during the rest of the year.
- All applicants must be 16 years of age by the date of their appointment.
- They must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
- They must show proof of citizenship.
- Every applicant must have the sponsorship of Congresswoman Sánchez.
- Due to the nature of the job, every applicant must be in good health, have plenty of stamina, and problem free feet.

How to Apply:

The application consists of the application form, a high school transcript containing grades from ninth grade to the current semester, a parental consent form, a resume of extracurricular activities, 3 letters of recommendation, a 50-100 word essay describing why the applicant would like to become a page, and a letter of support from Congresswoman Sánchez.

Page Program Duties:

The duties of a page are very important. The duties of a page primarily consist of delivery of correspondence, legislative material and small packages within the Congressional complex. The semester Pages report to work after classes and continue until 4:30 PM or until the House adjourns for the day.

Students selected as Pages are asked to serve at least one full semester and may be asked to serve two semesters. The academic semesters are fall and spring and require attendance at the House of Representatives Page School. Students attending the fall and spring semesters are required to reside in the House Residence Hall. The summer program starts around the second week of June and ends at the determination of the legislative work schedule. There are two summer sessions: 1st Session: June 11 - June 30 and 2nd Session: July 8 - August 3.

The House Page School begins at 6:45am with classes in Mathematics, English, Social Studies, Science, Foreign Language and Computer Technology. To allow each student to gain exposure to government, there are mandatory Washington Seminars for all Pages.

The dress requirement for males is navy blazer, long sleeved white shirt, dark gray slacks, black socks, dark shoes, and a standard-issue tie (navy with red and white stripes). For females, a navy blazer, long sleeved white blouse, dark gray skirt or pants, black shoes, appropriate hosiery and a standard-issue tie (navy with red and white stripes) that is provided during orientation

Compensation and Fees:

All Pages are compensated with a monthly salary of approximately \$1,500. Automatic deductions will be made for federal and states taxes, Social Security, and the Residence Hall fees. Pages are paid on the last working day of the month. There is an initial \$100 security deposit for the residency halls. An additional \$400 monthly fee is required for the residence hall, which includes five breakfasts, six lunches, and five dinners per week and is automatically deducted from the Page's salary.